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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – April 24, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Saturday, April 24, 2021, DHHS announced 334 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 1.5%. Today's results include 175 people who tested positive by PCR test and 159 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 3,157 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

• 4/23: 334 new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are sixty-nine individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 51% being female and 49% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (57), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (52), Strafford (39), Grafton (32), Cheshire (19), Merrimack (19), Belknap (17), Coos (13), Carroll (7), and Sullivan (1) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (36) and Nashua (18). The county of residence is being determined for twenty-four new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS has also announced one recent death related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

• 1 female resident of Rockingham County, fewer than 60 years of age.

There are currently 103 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 93,542 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated April 24, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	93,542
Recovered	89,103 (95%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,282 (1%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	3,157
Current Hospitalizations	103
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	691,053

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	39,287		
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A		
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	366		

Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests										
Testing Laboratory	4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	4/21	4/22	4/23	Daily Average		
NH Public Health Laboratories	554	0	186	195	918	886	504	463		
LabCorp	379	444	244	569	499	548	253	419		
Quest Diagnostics	535	390	315	574	552	827	773	567		
Mako Medical	0	21	70	2	56	107	42	43		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	365	180	153	378	549	344	8	282		
NorDX Laboratory	74	41	22	467	182	349	198	190		
Broad Institute	3,394	318	2,038	4,321	5,281	2,832	7,955	3,734		
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	406	381	424	536	720	470	363	471		
Other Laboratory*	322	218	461	581	812	584	241	460		
University of New Hampshire**	2,192	48	4,311	3,633	3,621	4,063	3,521	3,056		
Total	8,221	2,041	8,224	11,256	13,190	11,010	13,858	9,686		
Antibody Laboratory Tests										
Testing Laboratory	4/17	4/18	4/19	4/20	4/21	4/22	4/23	Daily Average		
LabCorp	7	1	2	4	5	2	0	3		
Quest Diagnostics	5	0	0	5	5	10	7	5		
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	0	0	3	8	5	4	0	3		
NorDX Laboratory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Other Laboratory*	5	0	11	5	13	10	0	6		
Total	17	1	16	22	28	26	7	17		

^{*} Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table. Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

The most up-to-date test positivity rates are available https://www.covid19.nh.gov/dashboard/testing.

For more information, please visit the NH COVID-19 Response website at https://www.covid19.nh.gov/.

²Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

³Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

^{**} Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.